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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Docket No.: 116669

For: INKJET RECORDING APPARATUS, INK GUIDE MEMBER AND PURGE UNIT

REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF PAPERS FROM UNRELATED APPLICATION

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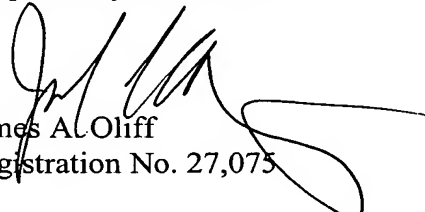
Sir:

The above-identified patent application was filed on July 25, 2003. Upon filing, Applicants received a date-stamped postcard receipt indicating that the application had been assigned serial no. 10/626,060. Subsequent to filing the application, Applicants filed a Submission of Original Declaration, Information Disclosure Statement and Claim for Priority on October 7, 2003 in application serial no. 10/626,060. The papers as filed otherwise correctly indicated the application filing date, title, inventors and attorney docket number, as indicated above.

However, upon receipt of the Official Filing Receipt in this application, Applicants noted that the serial number assigned to this application had changed to the above-identified serial no. 10/626,560. Because the papers were filed in error in the incorrect application, Applicants respectfully request that the papers be transferred from 10/626,060 to 10/626,560, and be accorded the original filing date for those papers.

Should there be any questions regarding this request, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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